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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

Notice of Opposition

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

Opposer Information

| Name | Wilson-Cook Medical Inc. |
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| Granted to Date of previous extension | 12/03/2008 |
| Address | 4900 Bethania Station Road Winston-Salem, NC 27105 UNITED STATES |

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Applicant Information

| Application No | 77434028 | Publication date | 08/05/2008 |
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| Opposition Filing Date | 12/03/2008 | Opposition Period Ends | 12/03/2008 |
| Applicant | Arthrex, Inc. 1370 Creekside Blvd. Naples, FL 34108 UNITED STATES | | |

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 010.

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Medical devices, namely, a drill adapter

Grounds for Opposition

| Priority and likelihood of confusion Trademark Act section 2(d) |
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Marks Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

| U.S. Registration No. | 2624062 | Application Date | 04/20/2001 |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|
| Registration Date | 09/24/2002 | Foreign Priority Date | NONE |
| Word Mark | HOWELL D.A.S.H. DIRECT ACCESS SYSTEM | | |

| Design Mark | HOWELL D.A.S.H. DIRECT ACCESS SYSTEM |
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| Description of Mark | NONE |
| Goods/Services | Class 010. First use: First Use: 2000/06/05 First Use In Commerce: 2000/06/05 Medical device, namely, an integrated ERCP catheter/sphincterotome |

| U.S. Application/ Registration No. | NONE | Application Date | NONE |
|---------------------------------------|--|------------------|------|
| Registration Date | NONE | | |
| Word Mark | D.A.S.H. | | |
| Goods/Services | medical devices, namely integrated ERCP catheters/sphincterotomes, catheters, sphincterotomes, extraction balloons, extraction baskets, and associated goods | | |

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Certificate of Service

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of this paper has been served upon all parties, at their address record by First Class Mail on this date.

| Signature | /Vincent O Wagner/ |
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| Name | Vincent O. Wagner |
| Date | 12/03/2008 |

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

In the matter of trademark application Serial No. 77/434,028 For the mark D.A.S.H. Published in the Official Gazette on August 5, 2008

| Wilson-Cook Medical Inc. | | | |
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| Arthrex, Inc. | | • | |

NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

Opposer, Wilson-Cook Medical Inc. ("Opposer"), a North Carolina Corporation, having an address of 4900 Bethania Station Road, Winston-Salem, NC 27105, believes it will be damaged by the registration of D.A.S.H., U.S. Trademark Application, Serial No. 77/434,028, and hereby opposes the registration thereof.

The grounds for the Opposition are as follows:

- 1. Opposer is the owner of Registration No. 2,624,062 on the mark, HOWELL D.A.S.H. DIRECT ACCESS SYSTEM for a medical device, namely, an integrated ERCP catheter/sphincterotome in International Class 10, issued on September 24, 2002. Registration No. 2,624,062, which issued from Application Serial No. 76/244,253, filed on April 20, 2001 is in full force and effect and has not been cancelled or abandoned. A copy of this registration is attached and made a part hereof.
- 2. Since at least as early as June 5, 2000, Opposer has been continuously using the mark HOWELL D.A.S.H. DIRECT ACCESS SYSTEM in connection with an integrated ERCP catheter/sphincterotome and subsequently in conjunction with an expanding line of associated goods, including catheters, sphincterotomes, extraction balloons, and extraction baskets, and has developed substantial goodwill in connection with this mark.

- 3. Since at least as early as June 5, 2000, Opposer has been continuously using the mark D.A.S.H. in connection with an integrated ERCP catheter/sphincterotome and subsequently in conjunction with an expanding line of associated goods, including catheters, sphincterotomes, extraction balloons, and extraction baskets, and has developed substantial goodwill in connection with this mark.
- 4. Applicant seeks registration of the mark, D.A.S.H. for medical devices, namely, a drill adapter in International Class 10.
- 5. The mark for which Applicant seeks registration is confusingly similar to Opposer's marks, and in fact, identical to Opposer's D.A.S.H. mark and subsumed by Opposer's prior registered HOWELL D.A.S.H. DIRECT ACCESS SYSTEM mark, and registration is being sought on goods which are closely related to the goods sold in connection with Opposer's marks.
- 6. The registration by Applicant of the mark sought to be registered should be denied. If Applicant succeeds in registering its mark, there will be statutory rights created thereby in violation of the earlier established rights of Opposer, all to the harm of Opposer's goodwill and with the resultant diminution of Opposer's rights, all to the damage and injury of Opposer and of the public.
- 7. The use of the mark sought to be registered by Applicant is likely to cause confusion, mistake and deception in the minds of the public and to lead the public to believe that Applicant's goods identified thereby have their source in Opposer or that in some way Opposer is endorsing or sponsoring such goods, or that Opposer is in some way associated with Applicant in providing the goods so identified.

WHEREFORE, Opposer files this Notice of Opposition and prays that the Application herein opposed be denied; that registration of the subject mark be refused; and for such other and further relief in the premises as may be deemed to be just and proper.

The opposition filing fee of \$300.00 for one opposer on one class of goods is presented herewith. No additional fees are believed due; however if any fees or extensions of time are deemed necessary, please charge said fees to Deposit Account No. 23-3030.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the Notice of Opposition is being sent via First Class Mail on December 3, 2008 in an envelope addressed to:

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TRADEMARK

HOWELL D.A.S.H. DIRECT ACCESS SYSTEM

PRINCIPAL REGISTER

WILSON-COOK MEDICAL INC. (NORTH CARO-LINA CORPORATION) 4900 BETHANIA STATION ROAD WINSTON-SALEM, NC 27105

FOR: MEDICAL DEVICE, NAMELY, AN INTE-GRATED ERCP CATHETER/SPHINCTEROTOME, IN CLASS 10 (U.S. CLS. 26, 39 AND 44).

FIRST USE 6-5-2000; IN COMMERCE 6-5-2000.

NO CLAIM IS MADE TO THE EXCLUSIVE RIGHT TO USE "DIRECT ACCESS SYSTEM", APART FROM THE MARK AS SHOWN.

SER. NO. 76-244,253, FILED 4-20-2001.

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